

## Tops In Blue visits Columbus

A free performance by Tops In Blue, the entertainment showcase of the United States Air Force, is at 3 p.m. March 2 at the Joe Cook Auditorium.

“The 2002 edition Tops In Blue, Spirit Of America, is a spectacular medley of songs guaranteed to entertain the entire audience,” said Pam Wickham, 14th Services Division marketing director.

“For almost 50 years, Tops In Blue has energized audiences around the world. This year’s show is no exception,” Wickham said.

Tops In Blue takes center stage and performs a 90-minute show, taking the audience on a musical journey across the country on a train called the Spirit Of America.

Tops In Blue celebrates the diverse American music that captures people’s heritage and represents the pride of the nation.

According to Tom Edwards, the show’s producer and director of Air Force Entertainment, this year’s show reminds people how music enhances their lives and invigorates their spirits.

“The cultural variety of America has produced a wide assortment of musical styles that reflects the tremendous diversity of our nation,” Edwards said.

“Our love of these various styles breaks down cultural barriers and unites us as Americans,” he added.

This year’s show includes big-band swing, Latin sounds and down home country music.

The entertainment builds to the stirring medley that embraces the patriotism of America.

Known as the “Expeditionary Entertainers,” this year’s team of 30 active-duty military people traveled to 20 countries and performed more than 130 shows.

“They are indeed a reflection of the best of the best,” Edwards said. “Continuing the tradition of worldwide ambassadors, this group of talented young Air Force men and women display the pride, patriotism and dedication felt by all Air Force personnel around the world.”

For more information on the Columbus performance, call Ext. 2337 or visit [www.airforce-topsinblue.com](http://www.airforce-topsinblue.com). *(Courtesy of 14th Services Division marketing.)*



2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett  
**Capt. Andrea Misener, 50th Flying Training Squadron instructor pilot, puts her helmet in a T-38 Talon before flight.**

## 14th Ops Group leads way for ORI

**2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett**  
Public affairs

The operational readiness inspection started Feb. 10 on a good note when a seven-person team evaluated the 14th Operations Group’s flying ability.

“The inspector general team comes out about a month early to conduct checkrides for 10 percent of our instructor pilots,” said Col. Mike Holmes, 14th OG commander. “That way when they come back they can spend more time on our documentation.”

The IG team gave 38 checkrides to measure the instructor pilots’ flying capabilities. The flights were divided

into two areas — the instrument/qualification check ride, which measures a pilot’s ability to fly the aircraft, and the mission checkride that measures a pilot’s aptitude to instruct in the unit’s student training mission.

“The IG covered a broad range of missions from contact to formation flights,” Holmes said. “They checked all the areas we train in.”

Check flights are required throughout the Air Force every 17 months. The IG checked IPs who fell within the 17-month window and also completed spot checks, which focused on commanders and key supervisors.

The spot checks looked at those pilots

not in the 17-month zone, according to Holmes. It ensures that pilots are not studying just for the test but are qualified at all times.

The 14th OG had no failures and came out on top. Maj. Mark DeGrange, 43rd Flying Training Squadron who flies with the 50th FTS, received the highest rating of “Exceptionally Qualified.”

“Overall, every pilot was rated ‘Fully Qualified’ — we did very well,” Holmes said. “This is attributed to the day-to-day effort that our IPs display as experts at their jobs, as well as the excellent preparation programs created and implemented by squadron commanders.”

## NEWS BRIEFS

### History celebration

A Black History Month celebration is from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Feb. 22 at the chapel. The multicultural committee invites everyone to celebrate the rich culture of African Americans. Various displays of art, books and clothing are shown. Food tasting events, poetry reading, singing by the Columbus Mississippi Black Voices and Miracle Temple choirs and a rhythmic “Step Show” are also available. For more information, call Ext. 2788 or Ext. 3576.

### Commander’s calls

The 14th Flying Training Wing commander’s calls are at 7 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. March 7.

**15 days**  
until the  
operational readiness  
inspection.  
Are you ready?

## Columbus AFB honors recycling stars

**Airman Alexis Lloyd**  
Public affairs

The 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight began the Recycler of the Month program this month.

Winners are chosen through a point system from each housing area and win T-shirts, a certificate and a sign to keep in their yard for the month.

People earn points by participating, sorting properly, flattening cardboard, and keeping bins clean and sanitary.

“[The 14th CES] hopes this program will provide a positive reinforcement and boost morale by recognizing families who are doing an excellent job,” said Renee Howell, Qualified Recycling Program manager.

The winners for February are:

- Capital Village — Master Sgt. Charles Manders, 14th Security Forces Squadron
- State Village — Maj. Al Smith, 14th Operations Group
- Magnolia Village — Senior Airman Jin O, 14th Medical Support Squadron

“My wife and I feel great about win-



Airman Alexis Lloyd  
**Zachary and Hannah Katherine Smith, children of Recycler of the Month winner Maj. Al Smith, carry recycling bins.**

ning and being recognized for recycling and maybe it will motivate other people to recycle all of their recyclable products,” O said. “I feel that it is important to recycle because we need to cherish

and save all of earth’s resources.” Howell poses this question, “Why not recycle? Everyone should strive to be a Recycler of the Month.”

For more information, call Ext. 7406.

## Academy seeks biographies, photos of graduates in work force

**U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo.** — The Office of the Dean of Faculty at the Air Force Academy is seeking biographies and high quality on-the-job and in-training photos of Academy graduates who are in the Air Force work force or attending flight training or other technical schools.

The biographies and photos will be

used in a display along the entire length of a second floor in Fairchild Hall, the academic facility here.

The Dean of Faculty hopes to have at least four Academy graduates from each major and unified command represented in the display.

The display will, among other things,

highlight the accomplishments, activities, opinions and commentaries of recent USAF Academy graduates so current cadets can visualize their own futures in the Air Force.

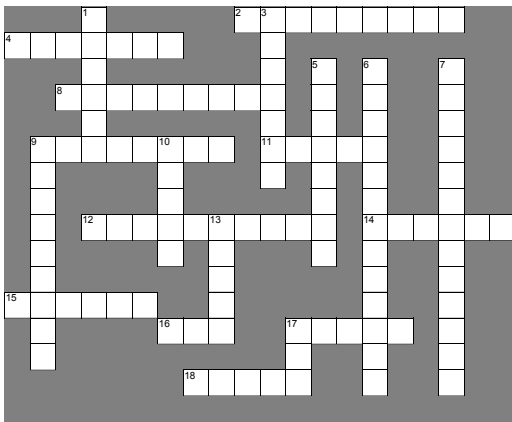
Graduates interested in providing biographies and on-the-job or in-training action photos to this project may send

them, no later than March 20, to: Maj. John Modinger, 34th Education Group/34th ES, U.S. Air Force Academy, CO 80840.

For more information about the project, email Modinger at [John.Modinger@USAF.af.mil](mailto:John.Modinger@USAF.af.mil). *(Courtesy of Air Force Academy.)*

## CROSSWORD

This puzzle is brought to Columbus AFB by the Operational Readiness Inspection team. It is designed to get the base familiar with the ORI.



### Across

- 2 UXO's will not be collected as \_\_\_\_.
- 4 Donning of the mask and hood attached should take place in \_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 8 Who can determine whether you are under MOPP Alpha conditions?
- 9 M9 paper will only show that there is a \_\_\_\_.
- 11 Do not use more than \_\_\_\_ Mark 1 kits.
- 12 One of the objectives of the ORI is to achieve an overall rating of \_\_\_\_.
- 14 Poisons naturally produced through the activities of living organisms
- 15 a carrier of the biological agent used to transmit disease
- 16 Issued by command authorities and describe the circumstances and limitations under which we can start or continue military operations.

- 17 Acronym for Base Recovery after Attack
- 18 Gloves, mask/hood, and field gear are all worn in this MOPP level.

### Down

- 1 Heat \_\_\_\_ is a life threatening injury.
- 3 ATSO stands for Ability to Survive and \_\_\_\_.
- 5 The aim at this level of decontamination is to reduce contamination to the lowest possible level.
- 6 Every Air Force person is an " \_\_\_\_ airman"
- 7 CCA stands for: \_\_\_\_ Control Area
- 9 Disease-producing microorganisms that are naturally occurring or altered by random mutation or recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid techniques are \_\_\_\_.
- 10 The ORI begins March \_\_\_\_.
- 13 Use auto-injectors for \_\_\_\_ agents only
- 17 Battle Damage Assessment acronym

Answers can be found on Page 12.

## Mission Report

**T-1A** Goal: 1,460.0 hrs. Flown: 1,487.2 hrs.  
**T-38A** Goal: 330 Flown: 364

**T-37** Goal: 1,517 Flown: 1,754  
**T-38C** Goal: 555 Flown: 477

**Students graduated in FY03:** 109  
**Next graduating class:** SUPT Class 03-06

As of Wednesday



# Compliance with Air Force standards not optional

**Maj. William Cannon**  
71st Security Forces Squadron commander

**VANCE AFB, Okla.** — A few weeks ago, I was involved in a rather candid conversation with a senior NCO regarding standards, performance expectations and ratings, and the effects and aftermath of non-judicial punishment, among other things.

During our discussion, I was told that I am, with all due respect, perhaps a bit too narrow-minded and maybe too much “my way or the highway” regarding these issues.

Since he said it like it was a bad thing, I assumed he meant it as constructive criticism and have subsequently given his words a great deal of thought regarding my perspective on these issues, including the first time I heard the phrase “my way or the highway.”

It was December 1981 during my first

assignment as a young airman at Minot AFB, N.D., in the Strategic Air Command where a technical sergeant, now a retired chief master sergeant, informed me, “There is the Air Force way, the SAC way and my way” and “It’s my way or the highway.”

Twenty-one years later, my response to people who ask me how I’m doing is usually “outstanding” because of my early military socialization under the supervision of this NCO where outprocessing was the only other option.

Based on that, I guess it is possible I may occasionally exhibit a “my way or the highway” attitude with regard to these issues.

If you turn to page 91 in the Promotion Fitness Examination Study Guide, you’ll read, “A Way of Life. Air Force members are subject to duty 24 hours a day, including weekends and holidays. If so directed by a competent authority, they must report for duty at any hour, at any

location, and remain as long as necessary to get the job done. The Air Force mission necessitates more restrictive rules and standards than are normally found in civilian life. Individuals not living up to the high standards will not be retained in the Air Force.”

Our conduct then, fulfilling our responsibilities and displaying professionalism at all times, is integrally connected to the success of our mission and should remain above reproach.

We can tolerate mistakes and even learn valuable lessons from them as long as we conduct ourselves at all times so as to bring credit upon the Air Force.

Misconduct and criminal acts are intolerable for military members and counterproductive to accomplishing our mission.

Driving under the influence, failure to obey a lawful order, indecent language, indecent exposure, indecent acts, assault,

dereliction of duty, failure to go, incapacitation for the performance of duty, underage drinking, public intoxication, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and aggravated assault have no place in our way of life. These must be dealt with appropriately.

Unfortunately, we have a tendency to focus on the negative aspects due to the number of incidents, the time spent on corrective and administrative actions, and the time spent searching for prevention rather than cure, but we must accentuate the positive and remain focused on the mission and the people who accomplish it.

Our efforts play a significant role in ensuring national security, and that is why President Bush could tell the world that, “Once again, we are called upon to defend the safety of our people, and the hopes of all mankind, and we accept this responsibility.” That is why the Air Force is indeed a great way of life.



## Black History Month Spotlight

**Airman 1st Class Tonya Crenshaw**  
48th Flying Training Squadron

**How has the integration of African Americans in the military impacted the Air Force?:** I don't think any one race has really impacted the military to me. I do believe, however, having integrated the military it has forced society to accept integration and realize that if the U.S. military can adapt then so can society. I believe we are all equal and we are all on one team. But for some individuals who come from non-integrated places, they now have the chance to interact with different ethnic backgrounds.

## STRAIGHT TALK LINE



Tech. Sgt. James Moser  
**Col. Steve Schmidt, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, talks to Bernard Neilsen, Air Force Office of Special Investigation special agent in charge, about countering terrorism.**

*The Straight Talk Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB better. Although the Straight Talk Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain of command.*

*The Straight Talk Line phone number is 434-7058. Callers should leave their full name and phone number to receive an answer. All names are kept confidential. Messages are answered in the Silver Wings without names. Written questions may also be brought to the public affairs office in the wing headquarters building, Bldg. 724. People can also access the Straight Talk program through the BLAZEWEB at <https://columbus.af.mil>. Questions and answers will be edited for brevity.*

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## Key phone numbers

Base Exchange.....	434-6013
Chaplain.....	434-2500
Civil Engineer Service Desk.....	434-2856
Civilian Personnel.....	434-2635
Clinic:	
Family Practice.....	434-2172
Appointment Desk.....	434-2273
After Hours Care.....	434-2273
Columbus Club.....	434-2489
Commissary.....	434-7106
Finance.....	434-2706
Housing Maintenance.....	434-7370
Inspector General.....	434-2927
Legal Office.....	434-7030
Military Equal Opportunity.....	434-2591
Security Forces.....	434-7129
Shoppette.....	434-6026

## AT THE CHAPEL

### Chapel schedule

#### Catholic

##### Sunday activities:

9:15 a.m. — Mass  
10:30 a.m. — CCD  
5 p.m. — Confessions  
5:30 p.m. — Mass  
**Wednesday**  
11:30 a.m. — Mass

#### Protestant

##### Sunday activities:

9 a.m. — Sunday school  
10:45 a.m. — Traditional worship  
1 p.m. — Contemporary worship  
**Wednesdays**  
5:30 p.m. — Video Bible study supper  
7:15 p.m. — Choir rehearsal  
**Thursdays**  
11:30 a.m. — Lunch Bible study

For Islamic, Jewish, Orthodox or other services, call the chapel at Ext. 2500.

## AT THE MOVIES

All movies are shown at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted, at the base theater.

### Today

“Just Married” (PG-13, sexual content, some crude humor and a brief drug reference, 95 min.)  
Starring Ashton Kutcher.

### Saturday

“National Security” (PG-13, violence, language and some sensuality, 90 min.)  
Starring Martin Lawrence.

### Feb. 21

“A Guy Thing” (PG-13, language, crude humor, some sexual content, drug references, 101 min.)  
Starring Julia Stiles.

## CHANNEL 64

BLAZE 64 offers announcements for people living in base housing or the dormitories.

Call 2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett for more information at Ext. 7065.

### Weekdays

**9 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.**  
Air Force Television News  
**Monday through Oct. 11**  
**9:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.**  
Social Sciences

## FAMILY SUPPORT



*(Editor’s note: All activities are offered at the family support center unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2790.)*

**Workshop:** A Microsoft Excel beginners’ workshop is from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Feb. 25 and March 19.

The seating is limited, and people must register in advance.

**Education grant:** The deadline to apply for the Gen. Henry H. Arnold Education Grant is March 14.

The \$1,500 grant is available to eligible family members of active duty, reservists on extended active duty, full-time active duty, retired, retired reservists with 20 years or more, active-duty service and spouses of deceased Air Force people.

Call Shirley Pinkney for an application.

**Access workshop:** The family support center offers a beginning Access 2000 workshop from 9 to 10:30 a.m. March 26.

Seating is limited, and people must register in advance.

**Family appreciation:** Stop in and see all the information the family support center has to offer. Each month the FSC has at least one random drawing to present a free appreciation gift package.

**Educational loans:** The Air Force Aid Society has interest-free loans for active-duty Air Force spouses and college-age children who wish to enroll in vocational and technical programs.

The society loans 50 percent of the course costs up to \$1,000.

## BASE NOTES



**Quit smoking:** The Columbus AFB Health and Wellness Center offers a four-week Smoking Cessation course. The first class is at 2 p.m. March 6. For more information, call Ext. 2477.



Airman Alexis Lloyd

## Litter patrol

**First Lt. Lauren Maher, 14th Medical Operations Squadron, and 2nd Lt. Brandy Hewins, 14th Flying Training Wing, pick up litter on Highway 373 during a Company Grade Officer Council volunteer effort.**

**Auditorium:** Anyone wishing to use the Phillips Auditorium for events should contact Marj Bryde at Ext. 7468.

A point of contact, unit, title of event and phone number are required for scheduling.

**Playgroup:** A Mommy and Me playgroup begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the chapel.

This is a weekly playgroup for ages 18 months to 3 years and their parents. For more information, call Birgit Coslett at 434-5876.

**Contracted services:** Any questions or comments about the 14th Civil Engineer Squadron contracted services, call Ext. 7414 for custodial and refuse pickup or Ext. 7415 for grounds maintenance.

**ESC social:** The enlisted spouses’ club’s next social is at 6:30 p.m. March. 3 at the community center. New members are welcome. For more information, call 434-5643.

**OSC social:** The deadline to register for the next officers’ spouses’ club social is by noon March 11. The social is at 6:30 p.m. March 18, and the program includes gardening tips.

The menu is chicken alfredo with broccoli for \$11.50 per person, and club members receive a \$2 discount.

New members are welcome. For more

information, call Kristi Wahlsten at 434-5304 or e-mail [krittilynn@earthlink.net](mailto:krittilynn@earthlink.net).

**ESC scholarships:** The enlisted spouses’ club offers scholarships for graduating high school seniors, current college students, spouses and active-duty people.

Applicants must be the dependent child or spouse of an active-duty, retired or deceased or missing in action person.

Applications are at the education center, family support center or high school guidance offices.

Deadline to apply is March 1. For more information, call 434-5849.

**Tax change:** Changes for 2002 individual income tax returns make more military personnel eligible for earned income credit.

Formerly, nontaxable compensation such as basic allowance for housing and subsistence and income earned during qualifying combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area service were included in the EIC eligibility calculation.

For income earned in 2002, those amounts are no longer considered. As a result, more members will qualify for EIC.

An example from this tax season highlights the point. A major who earned over \$56,000 spent part of the year deployed to a combat zone. As a result, only about \$25,000 of his income was taxable. He qualified for the EIC. For more information, call the tax center at Ext. 7613 or Ext. 7612.



# 14th Flying Training Wing showcases 2002 Annual Award Winners

## Flight Commander of the Year

Capt. Charles Ohliger, 41st Flying Training Squadron, is the Flight Commander of the year.

Ohliger tracked 49 students and 27 more shortly despite five-week runway closure and 15 percent loss in sortie duration. He produced 17 percent of wing annual T-37 students though there was only 83 percent manning. Ohliger has flown 310 hours, 232 sorties, in 10 months and more than 1,500 mishap-free sorties during 20 supervisor of flying tours.



## IP of the Year

Capt. John Gallemore, 37th Flying Training Squadron, is the Instructor Pilot of the Year.

Gallemore is one of 258 instructor pilots wing-wide. Gallemore flew more than 375 sorties and 525 hours in 2002. He was in the top 10 percent of squadron sortie producers. Gallemore is one of six flight Unit Standardization Evaluation Monitor program monitors, which was rated "Outstanding" by squadron inspectors. This program was the first to receive an "Outstanding" out of 52 inspections.

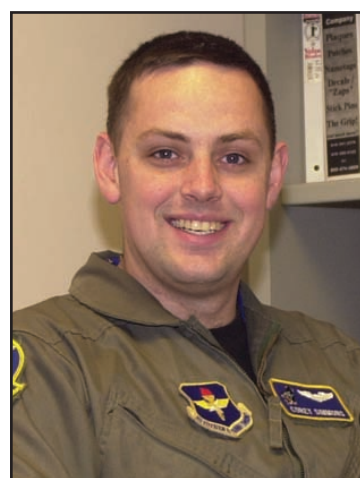


## CGO of the Year

Capt Corey Simmons, 48th Flying Training Squadron, is the Company Grade Officer of the Year.

Simmons is one of only 50 captains in the Air Force to be selected for the Air Force Intern Program in Washington D.C. He developed and implemented a performance report tracking process which ensured no late or overlooked reports.

Simmons was hand-selected by the wing commander to stand in as wing executive officer during manning shortfalls as a new captain.



## SNCO of the Year

Senior Master Sgt. Christopher McCollor, 14th Mission Support Squadron, is the Senior NCO of the Year.

McCollor was the Air Education and Training Command Lance P. Sajan winner. He orchestrates personnel support for 2,000 active-duty people, their families and more than 4,700 retirees. McCollor is a primary trainer for 17 air expeditionary force-tasked personnelists filling seven deployable teams. McCollor was appointed by wing commander as the single personnel evaluator on wing exercise evaluation team.



## NCO of the Year

Tech. Sgt. Kenneth Boteler, 41st Flying Training Squadron, is the NCO of the year. Boteler is the leader of 20 technicians, nine with less than one year's experience and seven in

upgrade training. He led the transformation of one central life support area to two squadron units that function more efficiently. Boteler accurately maintained the life support equipment account of \$5 million with zero discrepancies during annual inspection. He created pilot equipment status boards which eliminated wait-time for pilots.



## Airman of the Year

Senior Airman Rachel Aden, 14th Operations Support Squadron, is the 2002 Airman of the Year.

Aden was a winner of the Air Force Association En-listed scholarship for 2002. She was the first airman ever awarded this honor from Columbus AFB, which set a benchmark for future nominees to attain. Aden provided support to 137 in-flight emergencies while producing nearly a third of Air Force pilots. She provides air traffic control services to over 80,000 aircraft operations annually at ColumbusAFB.



## First Sergeant of the Year

Master Sgt. Bruce Freed, 14th Medical Group, is the First Sergeant of the Year.

Freed volunteered to be deployed as security forces. He developed a flexible schedule for 14th MDG senior NCOs to sit on enlisted wing-level recognition boards. Freed gives tours of the medical facility to all airmen going through the First Term Airman's Center. He was a chairman on the Combat Dining Out committee, and he volunteered to be sergeant at arms.



## Honor Guardsman of the Year

Senior Airman Thaddaeus Werner, 14th Mission Support Group, is the Honor Guardsman of the Year. Werner was selected for this award for his

excellent performance during 38 details over the year as well as his precision and performance during the honor guard board. Werner created training books to keep training consistent for both teams.

The honor guard award is based on how guardsmen perform in their primary positions as well as their performance in other honor guard duties.



## Category I of the Year

Troyce Gottwald, 14th Comptroller Flight, is the Category I Civilian of the year.

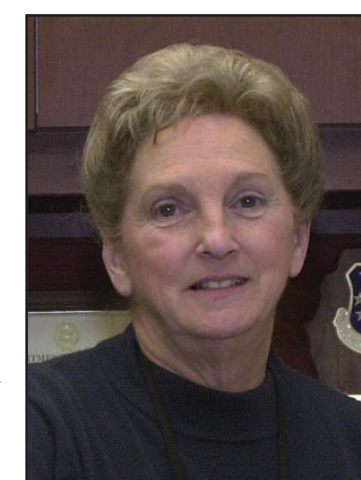
Gottwald single-handedly performed both secretary and orderly room roles that normally take two people, which resulted in 100 percent savings. She took initiative to learn PCIII for orderly room operations and sought expertise from other orderly rooms. Gottwald created an Excel-based officer and enlisted performance report, decoration and performance feedback tracking system.



## Category II of the Year

Karron Cole, 14th Medical Group, is the Category II civilian of the Year.

Cole manages and administers 12 different types of funds across 37 resource centers error free. She created vital financial data system and briefed it to the Executive Management Team. Cole also prioritized duties and maximized results for the operational readiness inspection checklist, which she completed and monitored during scheduled training days. Cole reduced medical TDY processing time from more than seven days to less than 72 hours.



## Category III of the Year

Debbie Warner, 14th Mission Support Squadron, is the Category III of the Year.

Warner led the way in the implementation of the new Modern Civilian Defense Personnel Data System. She implemented marketing and training for civilian personnel flight and was recognized as an Air Education and Training Command benchmark program. Warner presented briefings that addressed all issues from leave and pay to staffing and classification.



## Volunteer of the Year

Nancy McCollor, enlisted spouses club, is the Volunteer of the Year.

McCollor is the ESC vice president and assists the president and committee chairmen as needed. She also manages the thrift store on behalf of ESC. McCollor ensures procedures for thrift shop are followed and there are enough volunteers to man the store during open business hours. She is an ESC dorm dinner representative and helps organize monthly food donations from contributors throughout military community.





# Services brings a variety of programs to base people

**Casino trip:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip today to the Silver Star Casino in Philadelphia, Miss. Cost is \$15 per person, and it includes transportation and \$15 in coins. The bus departs at 5:30 p.m. and returns at approximately 2:30 a.m. Call Ext. 7858.

**American Cafe open:** The Columbus Club’s American Cafe opens from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Fridays and is open to all ranks. Club members receive a \$2 discount on each meal. Entrees include but aren’t limited to chicken Monterey, charbroiled New York strip steak, and grilled pork chops Omaha. Call Ext. 2489.

**All ranks bingo:** Games begin at 6 p.m. Fridays in the community center ballroom. People play five \$75 regular games, one \$125 odd and even coverall game and a \$1,000 progressive jackpot game. Consolation prize is \$150 if the jackpot does not go in 54 numbers or less. Admission fees for nonmembers are \$5. Call Ext. 2489.

**Rhythm and blues night:** Disc Jockey Maze features rhythm and blues music from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today in the enlisted lounge. Call Ext. 2489.

**Sunday brunch:** The Columbus Club offers an all-ranks brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$10.95 and club members receive a \$2 discount. Be sure to ask for an entry for the Premier Vacation promotion. Brunch is offered the second and fourth Sundays of every month. Call Ext. 2489.

**Baby playgroup:** The youth center offers a free baby playgroup for ages up to 12 months and their parents from 10 to 11 a.m. starting Wednesday. Call Ext. 2504.

**Enlisted lounge open Thursdays:** The enlisted lounge’s new Thursday hours effective March 1 are 3:30 to 8 p.m. Call Ext. 2489.

**Disney World trip:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip during Spring Break, March 30 to April 3 to Orlando, Fla. Cost is \$415 for one person, \$265 each for two people in the same room, \$215 each for three people, and \$190 each for four people. Cost includes four nights lodging, transportation and shuttle service in Orlando.

Reduced price ticket packages are available at ITT and are dependent upon age and parks visiting. Call Ext. 7858.

**Crafts classes:** The skills development center offers crafts classes for children and adults throughout the month. During March, the following classes are offered for youth:

- ❑ March 5, friendship pillowcases
- ❑ March 12, Mom’s favorite flowers
- ❑ March 19, Welcome to my pad door hanging
- ❑ March 26, Grandma’s brag box

Children classes are held at 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and cost \$4 each. The adult crafts classes for March include:

- ❑ March 4, making a wooden flower door hanging for \$10
- ❑ March 11, making a bunny trail sign for the yard for \$10
- ❑ March 18, making a bird bath for \$25
- ❑ March 25, making an Easter bunny door hanging for \$10.

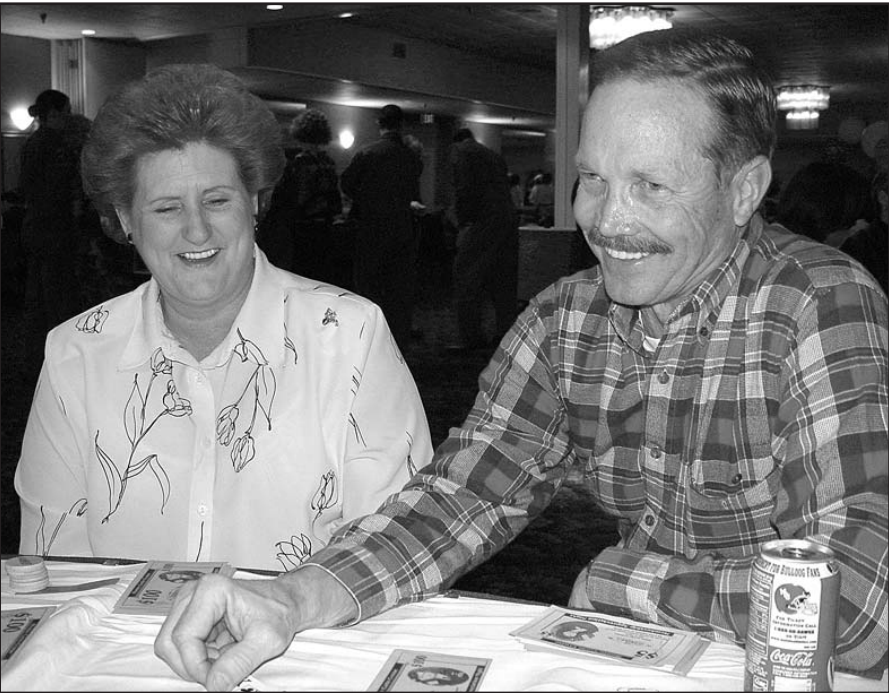
Adult classes are offered at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. except for the classes held on March 4 which are at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Register at least four days prior to the start of each class. Call Ext. 7836.

**Youth center burger roast:** The youth center offers a burger roast from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. March 7 at the youth center. Cost is \$1 per person. Call Ext. 2504.

**Parents day out:** The child development center offers a parents day out from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 15. Cost is \$3 per hour per child and a \$5 nonrefundable reservation fee is required. Reservations must be made by March 11. Call Ext. 2479.

**Pro basketball game:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip to Memphis, Tenn. April 4 for the Memphis Grizzlies against the Los Angeles Lakers. Game time is set for 7 p.m. Cost is \$103 per person for an overnight trip which includes transportation, one night’s lodging (double occupancy) and ticket to the game. The same day trip is \$68 per person and includes transportation and ticket to the game. Call Ext. 7858.

**Dinner theater:** A dinner theater is April 19 at the Columbus Club. The show is “Play it Again Sam.” The play is a comedy about the nerdy film critic’s obsession with



Rachel Kasic

**Winning table**  
Judith and Hud Hudnall, club members, play blackjack at the Monte Carlo Membership night. Hud Hudnall received a \$100 prize in the Premier Vacation drawing at the club held weekly until March 31. Entries also qualify members for the Air Education and Training Command drawing in April for a \$3,500 vacation voucher from the information, ticket and travel. Call Ext. 2489.

Humphrey. Cost is \$25 for club members and \$35 nonmembers. Tickets go on sale April 1. Call Ext. 2489.

**Beale Street music festival:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip to the Memphis, Tenn., Beale Street music festival May 2 to May 4. The festival features all types of music to include blues, rock, gospel, rhythm and blues, soul and alternative. Cost is \$125 per person and includes transportation, two nights lodging (double occupancy). Tickets to the music festival are sold separately. A \$50 deposit is required when registering. Limited seating is available. Call Ext. 7858.

**Canton flea market:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip to the semi-annual Canton flea market May 8. The city of Canton, Miss., closes down the town to make room for hundreds of vendors selling all types of crafts, food and specialty items. Cost is \$20 per person and includes transportation. Limited seating available. Call Ext. 7858.

## Columbus Club Lunch Buffet

Served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. —  
\$7.95 per person — Club members  
receive \$2 discount —  
Cost includes vegetable, tossed  
salad and beverage — A la carte  
menu is also available

Today  
Fried catfish  
Beef stir fry  
Peach cobbler

Monday  
Fried chicken  
Salisbury steak  
Peach cobbler

Tuesday  
Lasagna  
Spaghetti  
Assorted cakes

Wednesday  
Meat loaf  
Chicken pot pie  
Apple cobbler

Thursday  
Soup, salad and potato bar

**Comedy of Errors:** The National Shakespeare Company presents “The Comedy of Errors” at 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at McComas Hall at Mississippi State University. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and \$6 for children under 12. For more information, call (662) 325-4201.

**By Noon:** A national play produced by 7 AM Productions of Greensboro, N.C., is at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Poindexter Auditorium on the Mississippi for Women Campus. Entry is from College Street. Admission is free. For more information, call 329-7352.

**Single Vision:** Single Vision, a local Christian group for single adults, sponsors a game night at 6 p.m. March 1 at the Fairview Baptist Church in Columbus, Miss. Admission is \$5 per person and includes pizza, soda and snacks.

The church is off of Highway 182 in East Columbus. For more information call 328-3915 or 328-2924.

**Musical concert:** A free concert featuring Sarah Perry is from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. March 1 at Poindexter Hall on the Mississippi University for Women Campus. Perry is an accomplished singer/songwriter and cellist from New York City, performing as a free-lance musician for the past 7 years. All donations will benefit the National Cancer Society and the Children's Miracle Network. For more information, contact 241-7897.

**Columbus auction:** A Columbus Arts Council Auction is at 6 p.m. March 1 at the Trotter Convention Center. The theme is “Hooray for Hollywood.”

People are encouraged to dress like their favorite movie star. Awards are given for the best, original and authentic costumes in several categories. Tickets are \$50 per person. The cost includes dinner with entertainment in a combina-

tion of a stage show, a one-act play and old movie clips. There is a silent auction and a live auction. Proceeds help fund arts and art education programs for people of all ages. Tickets are on sale at the Rosenzweig Arts Center. For more information, call 328-8727.

**Pilgrimage:** The spring pre-Civil War home tours begin April 1 and runs through April 14. For a free brochure, call 327-2686.

**Waterway:** The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway is a 234-mile navigation link between the Lower Tennessee Valley and the Gulf of Mexico. It runs through Columbus and connects the Tennessee River, in northeast Mississippi, to the Black Warrior/Tombigbee River system in west central Alabama. Built and run by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the “Tenn-Tom” allows for not only navigation, but recreation to include camping, boating, fishing and hunting.





Pam Wickham

### Hole in one

Howard Ferguson, 14th Logistics Readiness, gets ready to tee off. Ferguson made his first hole in one on Hole 1 at 155 yards Saturday.

### Youth league

The deadline to register for off-base youth center boys’ baseball and girls’ softball teams in Columbus-Lowndes Recreation League is Feb. 28.

The age groups are boys ages 11-12 and 13-15, girls ages 11-12 and 13-15. The cost is \$40 per player.

Volunteer coaches are needed to coach each age group. Transportation is provided. Call Ext. 2504.

### Tae Kwon Do

This class is offered from 6 to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in the youth center.

Cost is \$40 per month. Student must be at least five years old to enroll. Call Ext. 2504.

### Personal trainers

Personal trainers are available at the fitness and sports center to spice up a workout routine or help a person get more out of their workout.

Call Ext. 2773.

### Aerobics classes

Aerobics classes ranging from beginning step, kick-boxing, spinning and yoga are offered every week at the fitness and sports center.

There are 15 different classes every week. For information on class times, call the Ext. 2772 or stop by the center for a schedule.

### Thursday scrambles

The Thursday afternoon scramble at Whispering Pines Golf Course begin at 4:45 p.m. Sign up by 4 p.m. each Thursday. Computer selects the teams.

Entry is \$5 per person plus green fees for nonmembers.

### Fitness 101

People who want to get in shape but aren’t sure how to use all the fitness and sports center’s machines can schedule a Fitness 101 class.

The center shows people how to find their target heart rate and to use all of the equipment. Classes are by appointment only. Call Ext. 2772.

### Bowling special

The February family bowling special is from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays and from 1 to 6 p.m. Sundays. Bowling is \$1.25 a game, and shoe rental is 50 cents. Check with the snack bar for the food special. Call Ext. 2426.



### Bowling standings

	Team	Wins	Losses
The following	Misfits	120	48
are the intramural	Strokin	110	58
Thursday league	14th OSS	102	66
standings as of	SFS #1	72	96
Feb. 13.	48th FTS	62	106
	SFS #2	32	136